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SUBJECT: WIPO AND THE UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
FOR DEVELOPMENT

1. AS PREPARATIONS FOR THE FORTHCOMING UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT GATHER STEAM, DEPARTMENT MAY FIND OF INTEREST PLANS OF WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE. AS THE UN-RELATED ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR A KEY ELEMENT IN THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY PROCESS, THE PROTECTION OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY, WIPO ATTACHES A GREAT DEAL OF IMPORTANCE TO THE CONFERENCE AND PLANS TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN IT. WIPO HAS MADE KNOWN TO US ITS INTEREST IN THE CONFERENCE A NUMBER OF TIMES, MOST RECENTLY DURING AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S CALL ON THE DIRECTOR GENERAL JULY 15. WIPO IS ANXIOUS TO SEE A SUB-AGENDA ITEM RELATING TO ITS ACTIVITIES AND HAS NOW IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING TOPIC: ARRANGEMENTS TO FACILITATE ACCESS TO AND USE OF TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PATENT DOCUMENTS, WHICH IT WOULD LIKE TO SEE DISCUSSED UNDER AGENDA ITEM 2(C): (MECHANISMS FOR THE EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCES SIGNIFICANT TO DEVELOPMENT). WIPO PLANS TO HOLD IN COOPERATION WITH ECLA AND THE CONFERENCE

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SECRETARIAT A SEMINAR IN MEXICO CITY IN OCTOBER 1977 OUT OF WHICH A PAPER ON THIS TOPIC WOULD ARISE. WIPO HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL SECOND A PERSON TO THE STAFF OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE. IT ALSO PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN OTHER REGIONAL ACTIVITIES PREPARING FOR THE CONFERENCE AND WILL MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THOSE AREAS OF THE CONFERENCE'S WORK THAT CONTAIN A PATENT ELEMENT.

2. WIPO'S BASIC OBJECTIVE IS TO CLEARLY ESTABLISH ITSELF AS THE UN BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY MATTERS RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY. IT HOPES THAT THE ABOVE SUB-AGENDA ITEM WILL ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE.

3. ONE OF OUR OBJECTIVES IN GENEVA HAS BEEN TO ENSURE THAT WIPO REMAINS THE FOCAL POINT IN THE UN SYSTEM FOR WORK IN THE FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY AND ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS UNCTAD AND UNIDO DO NOT INFRINGE ON ITS JURISDICTION. WE UNDERSTAND UNCTAD TO DATE HAS NOT FOCUSED ON THE ROLE IT WILL PLAY AT THE CONFERENCE. AS OUR OWN PREPARATIONS FOR THE CONFERENCE ADVANCE, WE SHOULD BEAR IN MIND WIPO'S ROLE AND BE READY TO COOPERATE WITH IT. MISSION WOULD LIKE TO BE KEPT ADVISED OF US THINKING ON CONFERENCE, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA. VANDEN HEUVEL

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